## **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

The Tennessee Division of Water Pollution Control will hold a public hearing on Thursday, **July 6, 2006 at 7:00 P. M. CST** at Reelfoot Lake State Park Visitors Center on Highway 21 in Tiptonville, TN. The purpose of the public hearing is to solicit public comment regarding an application by TN Department of Transportation for Aquatic Resource Alteration Permits pursuant to the *Tennessee Water Quality Control Act of 1977* for the proposed construction of a bridge along SR-21/22, spillway and spillway channel for Reelfoot Lake, NRS06.050.

TDOT is seeking a permit that would authorize stream and wetlands alterations in the proposed alignment. These alterations would impact unnamed tributaries to Running Reelfoot Bayou, Glady Hollow Creek and 15.14 acres of wetlands.

Persons wishing to comment on or object to the proposal are invited to deliver oral or written comment at the public hearing. The hearing officer will limit all testimony to relevant water quality issues and may limit testimony in the interest of time, however, all persons desiring to speak will be afforded an opportunity to do so. Written testimony will be accepted for 10 days following the hearing and will be considered part of the official record. The public is also invited to submit comments in writing to the Division of Water Pollution Control at the address printed below. The comments must be received by July 16, 2006. After considering all public comments, the Division will publish a final permit decision and a notice of the Division's determinations.

The Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation is committed to principles of equal opportunity, equal access and affirmative action. Contact the Department's EEO/AA Coordinator at 615-532-0103 or the ADA Coordinator, Issac Okoreeh-Baah for further information. Hearing impaired callers may use the Tennessee Relay Service, 1-800-848-0298.

The permit application and supporting documentation are available for review at the Division office during business hours at the following address:

Division of Water Pollution Control attn: Brian Canada 7th Floor, Life and Casualty Annex 401 Church Street Nashville, TN 37243-1534